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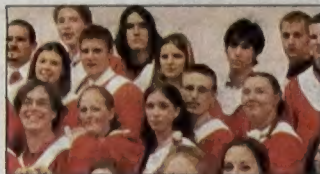
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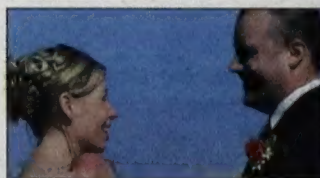
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Happy birthday, Canada!

Three-year-old Owen Smith from Minden gets halfway through his cookie during the Minden Canada Day festivities. More than a thousand people attended the event that included the annual Crazy Raft race, horseshoe competition, antique car show, musical entertainment and fireworks by the Minden Hills Fire Dep't.

Budget forces changes at Early Years centre

by IZABELA JAROSZYNSKI
Times Staff

With its new budget in place, the Ontario Early Years Centre of Haliburton-Victoria-Brock is in the process of making some changes.

The first of the changes, which was the recent three-week summer closure of the Minden and Haliburton centres, caused ripples

of discontent among the parents who use them.

Further changes will continue to be implemented over the next few months, making some parents afraid that program cuts are in the works.

Judith Tripp, the executive director of local OEYC, says all changes made to the centres will serve to improve programs by making spending more efficient.

"We are cutting down on the amount of administration," she said. "We decided to put the focus on programming."

After submitting the budget to the provincial government, which must approve it each year, Tripp was told that the centre had to cut down on spending.

The board considered various cost-saving methods and decided

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Frost Centre's fate up in air

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times Staff

There are fears that when staff at the Leslie M. Frost Natural Resources Centre meet with a senior Ministry of Natural Resources manager on Tuesday they will be told the facility is closing.

Rumours that the provincially-owned facility, which has been educating Ontarians about their natural resources for 60 years, is slated for closure have been circulating for weeks.

All staff are expected to be at the centre on Tuesday to attend a meeting with a senior staff member from the MNR's Peterborough headquarters, although the agenda has not been disclosed.

The potential closure would affect the Frost Centre's various education and housing facilities south of Dorset, not the adjacent 24,000 hectares of Crown land which were deeded to it in 1974.

The MNR, for its part, is keeping tight lipped. All requests for comment are being deflected to its media department. Spokesperson Steve Payne would not deny the rumours nor confirm them. He said that the MNR, which owns and operates the facility, is "evaluating all of its institutions."

The Frost Centre costs \$1.7-million a year to run but it recoups many of those expenses from fees for service from various users such as school groups, visitors and other ministries. It is the primary learning centre for the MNR's Conservation Officers. Last year the centre logged 25,000 user days, not including the thousands of people who attended day sessions or used the centre's extensive water

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Oxtongue	36	4	6	0	34	0
Dorset						
Halls Lake	93	10	23	0	77	1
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Minden 7	74	7	13	1	58	1
Minden 8	61	4	19	2	51	2
Minden 9	97	23	35	4	105	2
Minden 10	110	5	18	0	86	0
Minden 11	111	10	18	0	86	4
Minden 14	52	9	13	1	48	1
Minden 15	89	17	31	1	68	1
Carnarvon 5	116	11	37	1	100	3
Carnarvon 6	53	14	15	0	65	2
Irondale 12	10	1	6	0	6	1
Irondale 13	25	6	6	0	29	0
Irondale 16	46	5	7	4	48	0
Gooderham 11	67	15	25	1	31	2
Gooderham 31	81	8	46	1	56	0
Haliburton 18	83	13	19	1	86	1
Haliburton 19	99	4	26	0	78	0
Haliburton 20	50	8	20	1	47	0
Haliburton 21	74	11	17	0	62	0
Haliburton 22	106	15	30	2	93	6
Haliburton 23	107	10	24	3	63	3
Haliburton 24	110	12	14	0	75	0
W. Guilford 25	113	15	31	1	64	0
W. Guilford 18	83	13	19	1	86	1
Eagle Lake 26	119	23	23	0	58	1
Eagle Lake 27	41	2	17	0	47	0
Harcourt 29	136	39	44	2	91	1
Wilberforce 30	165	10	37	0	94	3
Wilberforce 32	88	7	33	0	59	0
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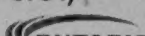


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O'Reilly says goodbye to 11 years in Ottawa

by SHERYL LOUCKS
Times Staff

One by one the pretty red and white balloons exploded in quick succession as Liberal Member of Parliament John O'Reilly tried to talk about what his future plans would be after his 10-year run in politics came to an abrupt halt Monday night.

The man popping the balloons was part of a clean-up crew responsible for tearing down the colourful streamers, signs, posters and paraphernalia that had transformed the Lindsay Royal Canadian Legion into O'Reilly's election night headquarters. The bustle of activity was the most action the hall had seen all night as the polls rolled in overwhelmingly blue in the Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock riding, even though the majority of the early national polls coming in via television were red.

Conservative Barry Devolin swept nearly all the polls as he cruised to his first political victory, garnering 24,432 or 44 per cent of the votes. O'Reilly, who had benefited from vote splitting when the old Progressive Conservatives and Alliance/Reform weren't united, came in second with 19,171 or 35 per cent of the votes.

Newcomer Gil McElroy earned 8,347 or 15 per cent of the votes for the NDP while the Green Party's Tim Holland had the best showing yet with 2,711 or 5 per cent of the votes. Paul Vogel of the Christian Heritage Party tallied 484 votes, or 1 per cent, while Charles Olito's campaign against banks and the monetary system brought him 327 votes, or .6 per cent of the total.

(Official numbers from Elections Canada are not yet available. These numbers are from the CBC's website with 238 of 240 polls reported.)

The decorations were festive but the mood was subdued as O'Reilly's supporters were gratified to see Paul Martin being given a second shot at the top job but sad to see "the end of an era" as Tom Crowe put it.

The Lindsay man — the *Times* did not see anyone from Haliburton County there — says O'Reilly has been in office for "years and years" and will be missed. So it was with mixed feelings that he watched the results come in.

"If I'd have seen these numbers yesterday, I couldn't have believed it. But it

would have made me feel a whole lot better. I didn't know which way this was going to go. It tells us we're better off not to depend on pundits. You need to make up your own mind," says Crowe.

And people did. Many chose to vote the way a group of four young people in the hall did — against Stephen Harper. The group, in their 20s, said they were at the campaign headquarters supporting O'Reilly because "Stephen Harper has to be stopped."

"I don't want to have to pay to see a doctor or when I have to go to a hospital," says 28-year-old Paul Hough, referring to Harper's position on private-public healthcare.

"John O'Reilly, out of all Canadian MPs, brought the most money into his riding, more than any other MP," says Nic Polito, a 24-year-old. He added that O'Reilly's commitment to healthcare suited him.

The two young men say all of their friends voted in this election but generally speaking they felt their peers were more interested in the provincial election than the federal level because the province has more control over education.

Neither had any doubt the Liberals would form the next government whether it was a minority government or not. O'Reilly did. He called this year's campaign "weird" from the start because no one could get a handle on which way the electorate would go. O'Reilly says he heard a lot of anger over Liberal Premier Dalton McGuinty's broken promises, the sponsorship scandal, and people were mad at Prime Minister Paul Martin for calling the election early.



After watching the polls come in at his election headquarters at the Lindsay Legion, outgoing MP John O'Reilly, left, walked over to Barry Devolin's party at the Olympia Restaurant to wish his replacement well. Devolin, right, is the riding's new Conservative MP, ending three elections of vote-splitting among conservative voters.



John O'Reilly had a reflective walk back to his campaign office after conceding defeat on Monday night.

"The opposition played on that and pushed buttons," says O'Reilly speaking about the national, not local, Conservative campaign.

O'Reilly says the riding's new MP, Conservative Barry Devolin, ran a good campaign free of controversy and personal attacks. He was not nearly as courteous about independent candidate Charles Olito.

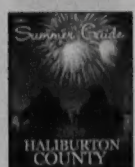
"I'm sorry to see Charles Olito didn't make it. He provided a lot of entertainment. He said to me that all we have to do is print more money and hand it to everyone and that would solve our problems. And who knows, maybe there's something to that," O'Reilly said during the speech at his headquarters to much laughter.

His own strategy did not win voters over either but O'Reilly complimented his staff and volunteer campaign helpers on an "excellent strategy and good advertising."

He believed so strongly in the campaign that he does not seem to have a back-up plan. When asked what he would do now that his political career is over, the 63-year-old O'Reilly said, "I haven't got a clue."

He suggested that he would put his real estate broker's licence back to work but would also spend some time relaxing and getting his ChrisCraft back out on the water. The first priority, however, will be cleaning out two offices and his Ottawa apartment.

He might not be sure in what direction his future will go but O'Reilly says he is pleased with his past accomplishments and is grateful for the trust people put in him during his time in the political arena.



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Minister didn't know of threat, Scott says

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and ski trails.

Conservative MPP Laurie Scott met with David Ramsay, the Minister of Natural Resources, last Thursday and broached the possible closure of the Frost. "He said he hadn't heard about it - well, he has now," Scott said in an interview on Canada Day.

Ramsay told her that the Ministry is "looking at everything [to cut costs] so maybe [ministry staff] are just taking it from there."

She responded that Ramsay must look into the rumours "and give them reassurance it's not going to happen."

He's spending the weekend in Northern Ontario and has agreed to talk to her again on Tuesday.

Meanwhile, on Monday Scott is meeting with the Chair of the Management Board, Gerry Phillips, who is responsible for all provincially-owned buildings. He has a cottage in Haliburton and she will lobby him to keep the centre open.

"I'm hoping they're reasonable and let us state our case."

To Scott it makes "absolutely no sense" to close the centre. "Dalton McGuinty says he's the education premier and there's a huge amount of education going on there. It's got economic value, historical value, and education value. It won't make any economical sense in the long run to close it."

She is circulating a petition to send to the various ministries.

Haliburton County Warden Bill Davis has sent a letter protesting the possible closure to Ramsay. Davis is extremely disappointed and frustrated over the province's position, and the fact that municipal leaders have not been asked for their perspective even though "the Ontario government's repeated message to its municipal partners has been consultation."

"The Frost Centre is an impor-



tant asset to a county that heavily relies on tourism as part of its economic wellbeing," Davis says in his June 28 letter on behalf of county council. "It is our opinion that your Ministry has not explored all avenues during the review of this resource centre. It would appear that your government is following the steps of the previous Ontario government when many provincial jobs were either eliminated or moved from this area to Peterborough."

(It is widely believed that the Frost Centre was slated for closure during the Tory government's first year of budget cuts, saved only by lobbying from local MPP Chris Hodgson, who was the Minister of Natural Resources at the time.)

Davis notes that the Frost Centre employs 35 people and is therefore

a major economic contributor to the area. Its programs, as well as being worthwhile in their own right, bring many people into the Highlands and it would be a shame to see them end.

Asked what he believes is the Frost Centre's value, its education team leader says that by learning about nature while being surrounded by it, people gain an appreciation that's not possible in a regular classroom.

"People are given opportunities to learn and grow as ecologically responsible citizens," Barrie Martin says. "They develop awareness, then understanding takes place and then you develop a set of beliefs."

"Once you have that you have a commitment to act on your beliefs, and that's what we call stewardship."

It's important to teach people about their natural resources in a natural environment, says the Frost Centre's education team leader Barrie Martin. "People are given opportunities to learn and grow as ecologically responsible citizens," he says. "They develop awareness, then understanding takes place and then you develop a set of beliefs. Once you have that you have a commitment to act on your beliefs, and that's what we call stewardship."

He tells the story of a young student who was turned on to geology at the Frost Centre. She went on to become a geologist, then a teacher, and now brings school groups to the Frost.

If you take the centre's educators out of the centre it just wouldn't be the same, he says. "There's a really strong sense of place not only for staff but for the learners who are there. The learning wouldn't be as extended."

Whatever happens, Martin says that staff will be committed to the centre and its programs. "It's business as usual. Everything we have in place we'll be continuing with."

"That's the type of staff we have. They will continue and be positive about what they're doing."

Lobbying begins to keep Frost Centre open

Local resident Carol Moffatt is spearheading a lobbying campaign to keep the Frost Centre open.

"All it takes is 10 calls to re-open the file," she says. "Think what 100 calls would do. Closing the Frost Centre is wrong. Do something today."

She encourages people to contact the following:

Minister of Natural Resources David Ramsey: minister@mnr.gov.on.ca or 416-314-2301

Premier Dalton McGuinty: dalton.mcguinty@premier.gov.on.ca

MP Barry Devolin: devolin@sympatico.ca

MPP Laurie Scott: laurie_scott@ontla.ola.org or 416-325-2008

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The submission for the closure has been made to the Management Board of Cabinet. The Chair is Gerry Phillips. His email is: gerry.phillips@mbs.gov.on.ca

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Why wait for Canada Day? These young people from the Ontario Early Years day-care centre showed their patriotic spirit when they paraded down Minden's main street on Tuesday. Parents are upset that the OEYC resource centre is closed for three weeks this summer.

Administration cut to save on centres' programming

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to reconfigure some staffing positions.

But Tripp insists that cuts to staff positions do not translate to program cuts.

"For example, the rural outreach position is now gone," she said. "But the hours have been picked up by people (already working) at the centre."

Other staffing changes include cutting back on the number of hours of the volunteer coordinator, changing the work hours of the receptionist, and placing the financial assistant under a different program's budget.

Tripp says that the board of directors is trying to spread the money so that programs are fair across the riding. "The board has to look at the whole map."

The centre, an amalgamation of CHACE and the Family Resources Centre of Victoria, began operating under the auspices of OEYC in April 2003 with \$500,000 of funding from the then Conservative provincial government.

Its mandate is to provide parents and caregivers of children, up to the age of six, with information about their children's development and about services available to support that development. The head office is in Lindsay, with satellite offices in Minden, Haliburton, and Fenelon Falls.

Shortly after its amalgamation, the program began a rural outreach program to bring a mobile resource centre to isolated areas within its riding. In Haliburton County, the program reached families in

Dorset, West Guilford, Wilberforce, Cardiff, and Kinmount.

After the new budget, a few of the areas will no longer be serviced.

The Dorset mobile service, which Tripp says was very well used, will now be discontinued because of a government mandate that forbids this riding's OEYC from serving areas outside its jurisdiction.

"Dorset does not fall into our riding," Tripp said, "which is unfortunate because the program was well attended."

The West Guilford and Cardiff centres, on the other hand, did not draw a high volume of families and both will no longer be offered.

But Tripp stresses that the mobile unit is still available to transport parents and children from those areas to the closest OEYC. "We are just looking for a driver," she said, adding that any of the parents could volunteer to drive the small bus.

In this way, parents can still have access to resources when needed, and the centre can save money on staff.

The supper club in Wilberforce, a program that provides a healthy and affordable dinner to families once a week, will also be cut.

But it is not only the outreach programs that will be affected by the new changes.

The Minden and Haliburton centres will also be changing hours of operation.

In Minden, for example, the program will operate three days a week, one evening, and one Saturday, a change from

its current four days a week program. The remaining days, with the exception of Sunday, will be occupied by the parent education program, which is funded and run by SIRCH.

Tripp said that the Haliburton centre hours would also be changing but were still being finalized.

Because the Lindsay OEYC is the head office for the riding, it must remain open six days a week all year. This is a new mandate passed down from the government.

But Tripp says that the centre tried to be creative with its hours of operations.

"We rescheduled parent education and plugged it into those days we needed to be open," she said, adding that this helps keep costs low since the parent education classes fall under another program's budget.

Managing funds from the government so that it is distributed fairly throughout the riding is difficult, Tripp said.

The government requires that funding be distributed based on the concentration of children, but Tripp says that the centre also takes other factors into consideration.

Some centres, like many of those in Haliburton County, are given extra points because they are more isolated and have

fewer services available to parents.

John Macklem, who acted as the OEYC champion in the riding, says his commitment to the area hasn't changed.

"I made a commitment when I became the Early Years' champion that we would improve children's services," he said. "I still believe in that."

He has faith, however, that the board is doing its best to create a program that works for parents and helps the healthy development of children.

Tripp says the centre is encouraging the development of programs that do just that.

Along with SIRCH and the school board, OEYC operates a program called Getting Ready for K, which allows children about to enter kindergarten to get a taste of what school is like. The program also involves the parents, making the transition easier for everyone.

Ultimately, Tripp would like to see funding to larger ridings such as this one increased so that more programming could be offered.

Macklem agrees. "It is an area that needs more attention. Unfortunately it competes with other areas for government funding."

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Take it off the chopping block

Providing a valuable service, it seems, doesn't carry much weight when it comes to politics. Rumours have been flying that the provincial government is poised to close the Leslie M. Frost Natural Resources Centre - Ontario's Nature University.

Government sources won't confirm the imminent closure/sale but they won't deny it, either. If it isn't at least being considered for the auction block, the government's public relations people would be vehemently denying any such rumour.

Lets suppose the centre is operating at a deficit. Is that really a big deal? Looking at the big picture, it would have to rack up a huge deficit, much more than it does, to justify closure. How could a government even consider closing a facility that provides extremely valuable educational resources?

Students, educators and law enforcement personnel are just a few of those who benefit from the Frost Centre's educational resources. It is the perfect setting in which to learn anything involved with nature. It has everything close at hand, from the lakes and streams in the immediate area to hiking trails and even a shooting range where enforcement personnel, both police and conservation officers, can hone their skills so they are better able to protect the public and themselves.

Where else can conservation officers, for example, go for training and not have to be put up in separate accommodations, with expense accounts for meals? Make that anything to do with firearms training and the situation becomes even more complicated. The Frost Centre has a shooting range on site. In fact, the Frost Centre is a self-contained facility with everything on site for every imaginable outdoors related educational need.

"It's tremendously valuable," said Conservation Officer Wray McQuay of the Lindsay MNR office, who has taken numerous courses at the Frost Centre over the past 30-plus years. "It has everything - waterfront for water and ice training, a range for firearms training - it has everything right there. It has specialized facilities that would be impossible to duplicate anywhere else. There's no other place like it."

He believes it would cost three or four times as much to provide the same type of training anywhere else. The other option, the veteran CO speculates, would be to cut back on courses. That's something we don't want to hear when it comes to the protection of our natural resources.

If the Frost Centre is closed, will the Ministry of Natural Resources have to contract its educational services somewhere else? Will the Ministry contract services from the new owner? Training will still have to be provided and buying those services from someone else could easily cancel any short-term gain the province might realize from the sale of the property.

The Frost Centre is a quality, year-round educational facility.

A wide variety of seminars and workshops are offered, from coping with bears to managing water levels. And the centre does recoup costs by charging for these seminars.

If the Frost Centre operated at a deficit of many times what it does, it would still be worth keeping. In terms of quality outdoor education, there is no better facility in Ontario.

And what of the people who work there? Will they be shipped off to the Big Smoke or Peterborough to work? Will they be offered severance packages to take early retirement?

Would the cost of closing the Frost Centre outweigh the cost of keeping it operational?

We're sure the fate of the people who work at the Frost Centre would be of little concern to big government. What's a few dozen casualties to the bureaucrats who sit in their Queen's Park offices 150 miles away?

Can government bureaucrats be so myopic that they can't see past the dollar signs to the benefits this one-of-a-kind facility has and can continue to provide?

We have to wonder: if the Leslie M. Frost Natural Resources Centre is on the chopping block, can the Minden office of the Ministry of Natural Resources be far behind?

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Across the river

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TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

Chamber urges caution on Frost Centre's future

To the Editor:

The following is a copy of a letter sent to David Ramsey, Minister, Ministry of Natural Resources, concerning the possible closure of the Leslie Frost Centre.

Dear Sir:

The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce is very distressed to learn that the historic Leslie M. Frost Natural Resources Centre may be closed. We also understand that the closure is being contemplated without adequate consultation with the local community.

The economy of the County of Haliburton relies heavily on the tourism industry, and the Leslie Frost Centre (with

approximately 25,000 user days per year) is a major draw for tourists and visitors to our area. As well, the centre provides 35 full-time jobs to an economy that desperately needs more jobs...not fewer jobs.

We respectfully ask that the decision to close the Leslie Frost Centre be considered extremely carefully, not only because of the devastating affect closure will have on the County of Haliburton, but also for the unique recreational experiences that will be lost to the citizens of Ontario.

Yours truly,
Robert Hall, President
Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce

More letters next page

IN OTHER WORDS

Columnists and Letters to the Editor

Political correctness is killing me

Political correctness shows up in the strangest places. Consider this week's decision by the US Army not to use recently purchased Israeli-made bullets against Muslim guerillas. It seems that the powers that be have decided that Muslim guerillas might take additional offense at being killed, wounded or even shot at by Israeli bullets. The army spokesperson said, "There's a sensitivity that I think all of us recognize."

Of course, we recognize it. I mean, how, for instance, would you go about apologizing to a terrorist who, with his dying breath, realizes that it was an Israeli-made bullet that punctured several of his vital organs? Talk about politically incorrect - and potentially embarrassing.

That's why these bullets have been designated for training purposes only.

Which is great, but has anyone considered the Israeli bullet manufacturer's feelings? I mean, I'm sure a lot of love and craftsmanship goes into each and every one of the bullets they create. This is not just about the money. No, this is about ballistic art.

It must be disappointing for bullet designers to watch their product just sit on the sideline while less politically offensive American-made bullets get to cause all the primary and collateral damage. Since both types of bullets meet stringent US army specs and are equal in every way, I can't help but think that this policy is — shall I say it — discriminatory. It's only a matter of time before someone in the mainstream media points this out.

And, as we all know, discrimination is definitely not politically correct. It could get the Army in real trouble.

I guess this war stuff is a little more complicated than we all thought. If you don't pay attention, people's feelings get hurt.

That's why I've come up with what I think are a few helpful suggestions to move us in the right direction. First off, I'd permit American troops to shoot at

Muslim guerillas with Israeli-made bullets provided - and this is key - that they from now on refer to them as full metal jacketed projectiles of non-sectarian

Middle Eastern origin.

Suddenly, we've got a product that people from all Middle Eastern cultures can be proud to be shot by.

While we're at it, I think we need to revise some of the other terminology too.

Shooting, for instance, is a harsh and incorrect word.

Why not refer to it as releasing the pent up energy of an inert piece of lead in the general direction of a person of vastly divergent political and cultural viewpoints? There, doesn't that sound a whole lot nicer?

I think we also agree that the word fire-fight sounds far too violent. Why not say that they are playing catch with warm, fast-moving, shiny metal objects?

Doesn't that sound a little more coopera-

tive? As in, American Special Forces and Iraqi guerillas met to play catch with warm, fast-moving, shiny metal objects today. The Muslims caught three, the Americans two. Several innocent bystanders also caught warm, fast-moving, shiny metal objects that strayed outside the playing field.

And while we're at it, haven't we used the word war long enough? I know, I know, these days we also call it conflict, liberation, or crisis but even those seem a little too uncomfortable. Has anyone thought about using the word tiff? As in, Iraqi guerillas and the US are still having a tiff.

Suddenly, it all seems more civilized huh?

I guess the idea behind all this political correctness is to recognize that words and symbols hurt. Now with everybody's feelings being considered as they are, the theory is that the world is becoming a far better place. To which I can only say bovine excrement.



BEYOND35

Steve Galea

Who speaks for rural folks like us?

At the beep-beep-beep of the opening notes of The Yellow Rose of Texas, the man in the three-piece suit reaches for his cell phone.

He knows the bell tolls for him because he picked out the ringtone that is his song. It cost him a buck or two.

The argument for having a ringtone is that in a world full of cell phones, you know when yours is ringing. Besides, having a ringtone is cool.

Ringtones have been a slow starter in the United States, but annual sales are expected to reach a billion dollars by 2007.

A billion dollars barely makes a ripple in the larger economy but hey, a billion here and a billion there and soon you're talking serious money.

Most important, ringtones are generating wealth, just as Toronto does by loading its garbage onto trucks that haul it all the way to Michigan.

That is called adding value, and it is the engine that drives our economy, the only kind of business worth doing. Adding value is the business of cities.

Cities haven't been getting their fair share, the national newspapers and national politicians told us all through last month's election campaign. The people

who live in the places our milk and hogs and logs come from are said to be sucking the life right out of the country.

One national columnist argued that rural Canada no longer has a human purpose. Another urged the next government to force Canadians out of the countryside and into the city.

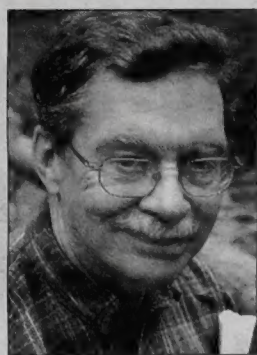
The politicians, for the most part, were more discreet. Most of them tried to buy urban votes with promises of more money for cities but didn't mention that it could come only from rural pockets.

Rural Canadians are often regarded as undeserving free-loaders by our chattering classes, most of whom, oddly enough, do their chattering in cities.

It seems like an odd point of view to those of us who are not economists. Making ringtones and Humvees becomes more important than harvesting the raw materials for the only things we obviously must have to survive - food, shelter and fuel.

Far from being freeloaders, you could

argue that rural Canadians are the true creators of the country's wealth. They produce the cheapest food in the world with fewer and fewer workers, freeing up money and labour to drive the rural economy.



BACK OF BEYOND

Neil Campbell

boondocks. The Conservatives are proud of their breakthrough in Ontario but, depending on how you define rural, at least 19 of the 24 seats they won are rural.

They won those seats because country people perceived the Liberals as an urban party that cares only about cities and city values. Liberals are not striking a pose when they cater to the cities; most of their

leaders are from urban, middle-class backgrounds with corporate rather than small-town values.

That split is not peculiar to Ontario. Though the Conservatives dominated the West, they were losers in all of Vancouver's ridings; the Liberals' only two Alberta seats are in Edmonton.

O'Reilly, the only federal Liberal ever to represent Haliburton, won three elections in the 1990s while the two old right-wing parties were splitting the vote, but he didn't hurt himself by often acting like a Tory. The Liberals let him march to his own beat so long as he kept getting elected.

In this election, one of the Liberals' few big winners in rural Ontario was Huron-Bruce's Paul Steckle, who often took the same stands and shared the same renegade status as O'Reilly.

Now our new MP, Barry Devolin, and his Conservative colleagues face a conundrum. The pundits agree that the party must get rid of the MPs who truly represent the views of their rural constituents if they are ever to win urban hearts.

How do you do that without driving disgruntled rural voters into the arms of another Reform party? And once you do that, who speaks for rural Canada?

SIRCH explains policies on 'School's Cool' program

To the Editor:

Regarding the letter from Joanne Sisson, we do understand her disappointment that her son was not accepted into one of the three School's Cool courses being run this summer in Haliburton County. School's Cool is a school readiness course which helps prepare children for kindergarten entry, by raising language, reasoning, self-help and social skills. It also helps children get used to the routines and expectations of kinder-

garten, and raises their excitement about learning and going to school.

SIRCH will be running the six-week School's Cool courses in Minden, Haliburton, and Wilberforce this summer, in partnership with the Trillium Lakelands District School Board. When the demand outweighs the number of openings in a School's Cool course, it's important that the children who need the

course most (e.g. are least ready for school) receive it. As a result SIRCH does do screening, and we prioritize:

* children entering JK

* children referred by the school or another community organization (e.g. Five Counties, Family Services)

* children who have not had other previous enrichment opportunities, like day-care.

MORE LETTERS

Times readers write

There are also other factors to consider such as whether a child has significant special needs (e.g. requiring a one-to-one worker), and what age the child is. If we do the screening and there are spaces left, after the children who had priority were placed, then we happily take other children, and in fact it's good to have a mix of children.

As to Joanne's suggestions, we are already doing three courses, and could not do an additional course within our

see PROGRAMME page 8

The ride is good on bus 22

To the Editor:

I have been driving a school bus from Minden to Haliburton for the past two years and I just wanted to take this opportunity to let the public know how much I have enjoyed it and what a wonderful bunch of kids I have had the privilege of driving. The majority of them are from the high school and the remainder are elementary school-aged students. I found them all to be very respectful and obedient. Never did I have to yell at them and I never had to give out a bus slip. Yes, there were times when they stood up or swore, but I only had to remind them not to do that and they immediately apologized and remedied the situation. I enjoyed them thoroughly and think they are a great bunch of kids.

Bus number 22 is the best and so are the following students: Harry, Laura, Jimmy and Marjorie Voicey, Eric Whitty, Daniel Walker, Corinne Hogg, Alex Philip,

Program still open

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current budget and staffing. And because School's Cool is curriculum-based, it cannot be shortened. However, there are (at the time of this letter) still openings in the School's Cool courses in Haliburton and Wilberforce. Perhaps one of those locations might be an option. And any parent is welcome to call us if they have questions or concerns (457-1742).

Gena Robertson
Executive Director
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Meghan Adamson, Paula Goyea, Dave and Michael Toye, Jeff and Jack Harrison, Derek Nesbitt, Julie Snell, Dave and Jackie Stewart, Jasmine Hie, Kyle Stevenson, Travis Walker, Robin Ketner, Matt Allore, Shane Baumhour, Brad Brown, Kyle Brown, Paige Brown, Drew and Jeff Carrell, Codie Coulter, Abbey and J.D. Crowe, Edward Cyr, Steve Draker, Lauren Sansford, Sean and Aaron Keaney, Brooke Mansfield, Aurora McGinn, Erica and Jennifer Hicks, Liana Moraal, Dave and Jonathan Petch, Brittany Porter, Kyle Schollig, Jason Peacock, Jessie Stamp, Jennifer Walli, Arthur Welborn, Becky Wu, Brent Robitaille, Meghan Kernohan, McKay and Kyla Shaw, Morgan Giles, Tony and Curtis Pennick, Jason and Taylor Lougheed, Ryan Cole, Jessie Hamilton, Deanne McKay, and Alana and Alexandra Casper.

I truly hope I didn't forget a name.

I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate Meghan A., Matt, Shane, Paige, Drew, Ryan, Abby, Erica, Sean, Meghan K., Brooke, Liana, Jason, Tony, Dave P. and Brent on their graduation from high school. I wish you all the best. Work hard, study hard and remember to have a little fun along the way.

For those of you who are going into the workforce, I hope you truly find your niche in life and love your work. Best of luck and I'll miss you.

To the rest of you who are coming back, have a terrific summer and I hope to see all your smiling faces in September.

Hilde Moraal
Bus # 22
Minden

Homophobia has no place in politics or anywhere else in our community or society

To the Editor:

Having read Peter Vogel's comments, highlighted on the front page, in this week's *Times*, (June 25) I am beyond disgusted and angry - just really, really tired and fed up with this homophobia faintly disguised as religion that panders to the lowest common denominator.

Mr Vogel may be simply misinformed, but his comments (and those of the Conservatives and Liberals as well) feed the bigotry that can lead to discrimination and violence. It is because of those misinformed beliefs that most gay people in this community must daily be aware of psychological and even physical safety issues, at some level. For young gay people, the threat of physical violence is a reality.

For the information of Mr. Vogel (and Mr. O'Reilly, and Mr. Devolin) homosexuality is no more a "lifestyle", an "addiction to be escaped from" or "unhealthy" than is heterosexuality. None of these men would be likely to attest that they "chose" to be heterosexual - it is a gift that is just part of who they are. In the

same way for gay people, homosexuality is a gift that is just part of who we are. To suggest that we be treated differently, given a different way of celebrating our love and commitment, or to tell us we are addicted to an unhealthy lifestyle we need to escape, is to feed the fires of bigotry.

We would not condone hurtful talk and discrimination if it was directed at people of a different colour of skin or culture; why then do we condone it, preach it, and print it when it refers to people who are different in their sexual orientation?

Enough! It's time to wake up from this fear-ridden judgmental fog. I encourage all those who

fear the stability of the culture/family/whatever and blame gay people, to look around, see each one of us, gay, straight, or whatever, for who we really are, and offer your gifts as we do ours, to strengthen our community and its families, however they are configured. We get stronger and more free when we make room for everyone to be the best of who they are.

"It's time to wake up from this fear-ridden judgmental fog."

CLAIRE SYLVAN

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Our next events:
BINGO: Sun July 4 Minden Community Centre 7 p.m.

Rotary Carnival Minden: Wed. July 28 starting at 5 p.m. at the Minden Community Centre downstairs. Midway opens Tues. July 27 eve.

The Kawartha Dairy Company in Minden is donating the 50 cent difference between a regular ice cream cone and a waffle cone they sell from July 1 - July 4 to the Minden Hospital. Incoming Chairperson Peter Oyler and Executive Director Dale Walker are happy to start things off for the fundraiser.



Kawartha Dairy helps hospital in the sweetest way

From July 1 to 4, the Kawartha Dairy will donate a portion of their sales to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services, Minden Hospital. Over this, the busiest weekend of the year for cone sales, each time a cone is upgraded to a waffle cone, the 50 difference will go in full to the hospital fund.

The waffle cone is chosen because it is one hundred years ago this year since the cone was invented. When Ernest A. Hamwi of Syria ran out of plates in which to serve his ice cream at the 1904 St. Louis World Fair, he

took a waffle and wrapped it around a scoop. Thus the cone was born.

The Dream Catcher Cone Company is supplying the waffle cones for this charity event.

So from July 1 to July 4, four days only, be sure to buy your rich and creamy Kawartha Dairy ice cream in a waffle cone at the Minden store and you'll help the Haliburton Highlands Health Services, Minden Hospital at the same time. Now that's a sweet way to help a friend.

Marketer will get up to \$200,000

by JERRY GROZELLE
Times Staff

County council is planning to budget \$135,000 to \$200,000 for tourism marketing. Council will be looking for innovation in the proposals which are submitted as part of a new tendering process.

At last Wednesday's council meeting, Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey asked CAO Jim Wilson about an escape clause in the contract. "What if the party we choose doesn't live up to our expectations," he asked.

Algonquin Highlands Deputy-Reeve Tom Gardner said performance is a "pretty subjective thing", suggesting it would be difficult for him to judge performance since he is not a marketing expert.

"We need to be specific about how we measure performance," added Warden Bill Davis.

Minden Hills Reeve Ross Rigney suggested three months' notice of termination of contract would be reasonable for either the county or the marketing firm.

Fearrey noted that preference should be given to county businesses, but should not be restricted to local marketing businesses. "We have a lot of marketing people who cottage here," Fearrey said.

Rigney said some new and innovative ideas may be proposed and he suggested the Chamber, which has traditionally provided tourism marketing for the county, may or may not be the best option.

Warden Davis wondered aloud if a one-year contract might be the way to go.

"Don't go there," Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison cautioned. She noted that the subject had been debated at length and it was decided that in the name of continuity and to give the marketer a sense of stability, a three-year contract is the way to go.

A copy of the draft proposal was distributed and Wilson asked if anyone would like to propose changes.

Harrison suggested that the county should be prepared to lose the operating visitor centre if the Chamber of Commerce, which previously did the marketing for the county, isn't the successful bidder.

It was pointed out that the Chamber of Commerce will have to convince county council it has the best proposal.

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Questions? Concerns? Contact Michelle McGillivray at Family Services of Haliburton County (705) 457-5345, ext. 610.



The graduates were all smiles as they posed for one last group shot before heading into the gymnasium to receive their diplomas. They were all dressed up and excited for the dance that followed.

ASES honours Class of 2004

by IZABELA JAROSZYNSKI
Times staff

Graduating students gathered together to celebrate their accomplishments and say goodbye to their elementary school days in Minden.

Proud parents, family, and friends crowded the Archie Stouffer gymnasium to watch as the graduates received their diplomas on June 25.

The star of the night was Marcus Hewitt who walked away with 10 awards, including the Tim Harrison Memorial Award for contribution to the school music program and provincial honours in all subject areas.

The other students who received provincial honours in all areas were Victoria Hillier, Dan Goodwin, and Elizabeth Lopez, who also received three other academic achievement awards.

Hewitt and Mitch Vanderlip were recognized for their assistance to both teachers and students with the Alan Walker Memorial Award. This award is given to the student who showed the most willingness to be supportive and readily willing to help the adults at the school as well as their peers.

School Prime Ministers Ryan Kerr and Kelci Haley addressed the crowd and received many laughs and rounds of applause as they recounted the often hilarious

memories of life at Archie Stouffer. In the end they presented their Grade 8 teachers with flowers and words of gratitude.

This year's graduates are:

Jessica Austen, Megan Bronson, Brock Brown, Colin Callaghan, Derek Carpenter, Allana Coburn, Kandice Couvillion, Zeke Diezel, Cody Dollo, Crystal Dugan, Connor Duhaime, Matthew Eno, Jeffery Fennell, Nicole Freeman, Amanda Gonyea, Daniel Goodwin, Creighton Griffin, Kelci Haley, Brooke Hamilton, Billy Harpley, Robyn Harrison, Marcus Hewitt, Mitchell Hicks, Brady Hicks, Victoria Hillier, Christopher Hosken, Suelynn Howden, Jack Hutchinson, Ben James, Holly Johnston, Katie Lynn Kellestine, Ryan Kennedy, Ryan Kerr, Jaimie Kimble, Amelia King, Corinna King, Katie King, Laurie Leblanc, Yena Lee, David Liddiard, Elizabeth Lopez, Justice Lowe, Robert Lowes, Allison Lytle, Katie Macnab, Camille Main, Andrew Mann, David Markowski, Saleen McIntosh, Brenda Mercer, Alisha Merritt, Adam Milewski, Jared Mills, Nicholas Miscio, John Murray, Kaitlin Neave, Michelle Lee Neumann, Emily Packer, Lisa Park, Jessica Pottier, Coral Pratt, Jackie Ranson, Jashelle Reay, Ashley Reid, Davis Reynolds, Alexander Robertson, Jessica Sansford, Todd Simms, Chantel Smith, Evan Stevenson, Anya Switzer, Mitchell Vanderlip, Mitchell Vasey, Taylor Vlaming, Ashton Voicey, Daniel Walker, Dalton White.



Marcus Hewitt is all smiles after the ceremony as he shows off two of the ten awards he received during the ceremony.

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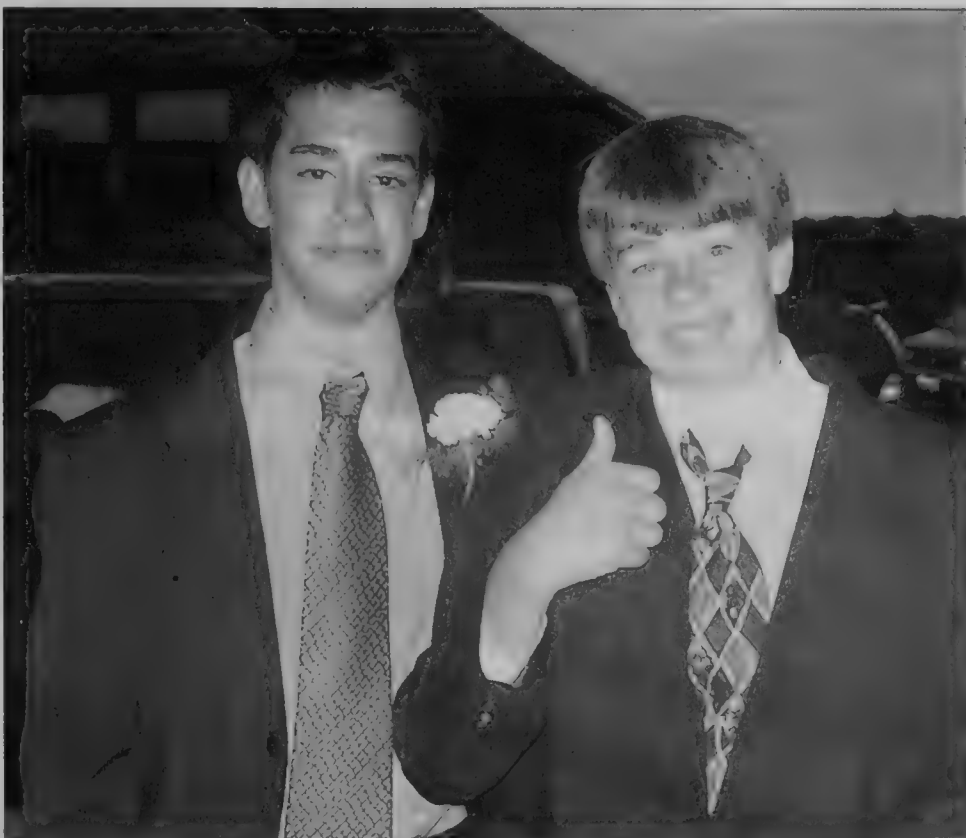
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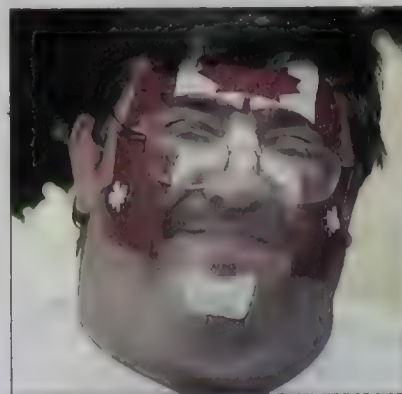
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Eight-year-old Natasha Bradley takes a bite from her candy floss. Natasha came to the Minden festivities with dad Richard, both Minden residents.

Saying Yay

Minden was a big draw in Haliburton County for Canada Day. More than 2,000 people attended the event that boasted a variety of events, street booths and things to see. The Highlands Time Travellers Classic Cars club brought out their best, parking along Water St. There were several rafts entered in the Crazy River Raft Race. Spectators lined the banks of the Gull River to watch the race. Local clubs such as the Minden Lions Club and the Minden Rotary Club were in attendance giving away balloons and hosting barbecues. Prizes and draws were announced throughout the day. The day was capped off with a fireworks display sponsored by the Minden Hills Fire Department.



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Minden Lions Club member Brian Moore takes a break from his cooking duties to smile for the camera.



Minden Hills council members Ross Rigney, Jim McMahon and Peter Oyler are joined by MPP Laurie Scott and MP Barry Devolin to cut the Canada Day cake



The Crazy Craft Race is always a highlight at Minden's Canada Day celebrations

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Ed Litwin watches the Colour Party perform during the opening ceremonies of Minden's Canada Day.



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Graduates give HHSS a boisterous farewell

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times Staff

In one of the most enthusiastic and boisterous graduation ceremonies in the history of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, the 2004 graduates cheered their way to the start of a new phase of their lives.

The spontaneous outbreaks of sheer joy, including two standing ovations for valedictorian Sterling Crowe and one for principal Gary Brohman, showed the students were united in expressing their appreciation for the past four years of their lives.

As they walked across the stage to receive their diplomas on Friday night, they weren't shy about hugging their favourite teachers or giving a big thumbs up to the hundreds of people filling the triple gym to share in the celebration of their achievements.

"Welcome to the best school in Ontario," Brohman told the crowd. These 142 graduates had to work their way through tremendous upheaval in the education system and everyone in the room was deeply proud of how well they succeeded.

"We are celebrating the journey, not the event, and the journey is all about hard work," he said. "I challenge you not to rest on your laurels but to reach out to your community and the world."

The following students received their Ontario Secondary School Diploma:

Tom Abel, Meghan Adamson, Amanda Alain, Matt Allore, Keri Andrus, Daryl Arbour, Valerie Arnup, Shane Baumhour, Tammie Billings, Cole Bonfield, Kristy Bourgeois, Amanda Bowman, Jordan Bray-Miners, Jennifer Briggs, Sarah Britton, Jillian Brown, Paige Brown, Cameron Bryant, Ginny Burk, Travis Burke, Kyle Burley, Erin Burtch, Jennifer Bussiere, Chad Carpenter, Drew Carrell, Danielle Casey, Lynda Cheong, Jeff

Chislett, Karyn Christian, Michelle Christian, Alan Clement, Danielle Clements, Ryan Cole, Shannon Cole, Catherine Coles, Jimmy Costain, Joseph Cox, Abby Crowe, Sterling Crowe, Jodi Curry, Vanessa Davis, Arlen Davis-Mighton, Andy Dawson, Steph DeCarlo, Krysta Dickenson, Justin Donaldson, Amanda Dunk, Ted Ecclestone, Jessica Elliott, Karen Ellison, Kyle Espie, Brendan Farrell, Conrad Flatman, James Forde, Nicole Forget, Kortney Gerber, Ross Gerry, Amy Grieves, Shawn Guild, Keelan Gurr, Rebecca Harvey, Shawn Heming, Liana Hewitt, Kathlyn Hewson, Erica Hicks, Meghan Hie, Dan Hirstwood, Dave Hodgson, Monika Holm, Adam Hutson, Sarah Johnson, Darren Johnston, Leigha Johnston, Dan Jung, Sean Keaney, Evan Kernohan, Meghan Kernohan, Corey Kyle, Sherri Lawrence, Andrea Lindenbergh, Jenny Locke, Maddie MacKenzie, Chris Mair, Cindy Malloy, Brooke Mansfield, Reuben Maughan, Dale McCrea, Lindsay Meyer, Brad Mickle, Jeff Mintz, Matt Moore, Liana Moraal, Jeremy Moynes, Laura O'Connell, Racheal Outram, Jill Parish, Alex Pawson, Jason Peacock, Tony Penick, Dave Petch, Debbie Ray, Brent Robitaille, Krista Ross, Vicky Rutherford, Quinn Ryan, Jamie Sala, Benji Saunders, Andy Sayers, Matt Schell, Owen Schell, Daniel Scott, Meghan Shaw, Chris Shelly, Wayne Shelly, Kasia Siek, Amber Smith, Kolt Smith, Laura Snow, Kyle Spencer, Rebecca Spencer, Nicole St. Pierre, Aarica Steele, Robbie Stevenson, Nicky Styles, Laura Sully, Valerie Sutcliffe, Charles Taylor, Ainslie Thomas, Kyle Thompson, Gord Timbers, William Tink, Kyle Urquhart, Josh Wales, Matt Wherry, Kim Whetstone, Michelle White, Jaci Wiltshire, Adrian Winn, Amber Wright, Luke Wu, and Aaron Zilla.

Stefanie Stevens received her Ontario Secondary School Certificate.



Sterling Crowe's valedictory address is on page 16

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Graduates ready to embrace the future with confidence

by **STERLING CROWE**
HHSS 2004 Valedictorian

TEACHERS, PARENTS and fellow students I am here today to discuss with you a small word that has a big impact on everyone's lives: change. As King Whitney Junior once said, "Change has a considerable psychological impact on the human mind. To the fearful it is threatening because it means that things may get worse. To the hopeful it is encouraging because things may get better. To the confident it is inspiring because the challenge exists to make things better."

I stand here today as a representative of the confident.

The class of 2004 is a group of individuals who are constantly attempting to make things better. The most recent example of this would be the Water Can Coin Drive. Spearheaded by Josh Wales, the graduating class and the entire student body raised \$1,000 in order to build clean wells in Third World countries. A step in the direction of change.

Change has become a common thread for the group of people seated before you. It was the change of going from Grade 8 to high school that brought many of us together. We can all remember our first days at Hal High: sitting in a classroom of 20-30 people; some of whom we recognize, some of whom we've never seen before; spending more time mingling with peers from "rival schools" then focusing on lessons....all of those grade 9 growing pains. Four years later, here we are; a group of approximately 150 friends bidding our fond farewell to a school that has become our home.

We've all had some incredible experiences during our time at Hal High. Such things as: Sporting events, Sunship, Model United Nations, Envirothon, Peer Mentors, Lunch Buddies, Bands and SAC, all of which have taught us more about ourselves and the world we live in than we could've ever anticipated.

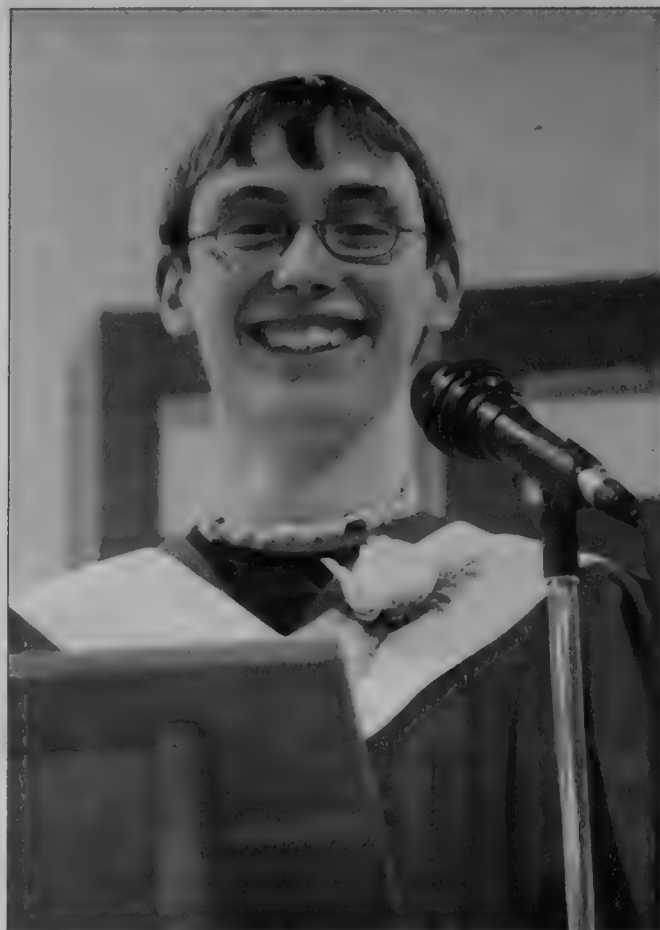
For many of us here tonight, the biggest changes we have gone through in our

lives have been the loss of loved ones. For the graduating class we think of our friends Bill Guzik, Shaun Chapman and most recently Greg Barry; and as a group we think of our individual family members whom we have lost during our stay here at Hal High. It is to all of the aforementioned people as well as my Aunt and Uncle that passed away in a very short time period this year, as well as the late Elda Henderson that I would like to dedicate this distinction of Valedictorian to, and would just like to let them all know that they are greatly missed.

Earlier I talked of fear, hope and confidence. In life there are people who allow us to go through all three of these phases, and in many cases they are teachers. The teachers of Hal High are the best group of leaders one could find.

As previously indicated change in the fearful can cause a lot of stress. During our times at Hal High we have felt the fear and persevered through it. The most blatant example is 9/11. I can still remember the exact seat, class room and situation I was in when I first heard the news. I think everyone in here can say the same. It was a time when a lot of us were unsure of our futures and scared of what lay ahead. Instead of allowing it to be threatening we decided to show our compassion and as a school sent a Canadian flag full of signatures and a donation down to the US.

There were times when we were hopeful that things may get better; but instead of waiting for that to occur we decided to make it happen ourselves. This can be seen all of the time at Hal High through programs such as Peer Mentors which allows senior students to interact with the "minor niners" in order to make them feel welcome and comfortable in their new home while at the same time conquering the big issues like bullying and harassment; Lunch Buddies which allows a venue for students to interact with the Special Education students in a more relaxed environment and really make friends with some of the most amazing people you'll ever meet; SAC, which was led this year by Luke Wu and Jillian



The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School class of 2004 is a group of individuals who are constantly attempting to make things better, says Valedictorian Sterling Crowe, who began his thoughtful and humorous speech by taking a picture of the hundreds of people gathered in the high school's gym last Friday night. He touched on all the things which prove that HHSS is a place of friendship and compassion for others as well as learning.

Brown, which provided lots of entertainment for the students of Hal High à Blue Collar Comedy, Various Assemblies, Theme Days and Movie Nights.

One of the most exciting things about this year's graduating class is that in some way, shape or form, we will be igniting change throughout the world. Our graduation doesn't stop here. Through our chosen professions we will do our best to bring change to the world, and if not through our professions than through ourselves. There is a vast array of future plans; some of us want to become entertainers, doing our best to allow people to enjoy themselves; some of us want to work more on the technological side of things allowing the world to continue to progress at the rapid rate it has been during recent years; some of us are going to pursue athletics, education, broadcasting, medicine, and some of us just aren't sure yet of what our calling is. But that is okay, because as Carl Jung once said, "Your vision will become clear only when you look into your heart. He who looks outside, dreams. He who looks inside, awakens."

We've had quite the awakening in our time at Hal High. The world has changed a lot, and now we are reaching that point in our lives where we have to face it; whether we feel as if we're prepared or not, we will confront what is out there. As a 17/18 year old preparing to face the world on your own it is quite frightening. We've seen some of the worst that the world has to offer, but we've also seen some of the best.

But rather than worry about what may be, we must worry about what will be.

And what will be is a group of graduates from Hal High showing the world what we have to offer. When I say world, I don't mean it metaphorically, there are many of us who plan at some point in our lives to travel to places that need assistance and help provide it for them, when I say we are going to bring change I mean it.

As all of you could probably guess, tonight is an especially hard night for many of us as we're saying goodbye, possibly forever, to all of our friends. Friends whom we've formed memories with throughout our four years at Hal High. You've all had a huge impact on my life and the person that I've become...for that I thank you.

After a four-year stint at Hal High the evolution is complete: we have moved through fear to hope and now, we have become the confident. We are about to branch off in to numerous parts of society; be it college, university or the work force but one thing is certain: we will succeed. If there is one thing that I want you to remember from this speech, it is that you **MUST** look at every event that happens in your life as an opportunity, an opportunity to change yourself and the world you live in for the better. Preparedness meets opportunity, be prepared for anything and you will overcome every obstacle you face and be better because of it. Remember this moment, remember the people you've met, the things that you've done, and think of what you will do. Know that you are supported and that anything is possible. The world is open to you, seize it, relish it, and live it.

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A Writing Circle begins on July 10 at Club 35 at Halls Lake from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. All are welcome. For more information, please call Pauline Johnson at 489-3878.

Dorset Day Camp has begun. Camp is open to boys and girls ages 4 to 12 and operates on a drop-in basis, Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Half day, daily, weekly and four week rates are available. Camp includes games, crafts, stories, music, swimming and more. For more details, contact the Dorset Recreation Centre at 766-9968. Help! Day Campers are looking for plastic bottles, empty peanut butter jars and cardboard for crafts. If you have any of these supplies and would like to help out please drop off at the Rec Centre. Thank you.

People from BoatSmart Canada will be set up outside Robinson's General Store this weekend (Friday, Saturday and Sunday - July 2nd to 4th) for people who would like to write their boater exam to get their Operator's Card.

Dorset Seniors are holding a Flea Market at the club on Hwy 117 on Saturday, July 3 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information or to make arrangements to donate items, please call Margaret Moeller at 766-9632. Good saleable items are needed.

Knox United is holding its annual Bake and Book Sale on Saturday, July 3 at the Dorset Fire hall. Pies, butter tarts and books, books, books.

The Dorset Heritage Museum is holding a Yard and Bake Sale in front of the museum on Saturday, July 3 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The 8th Annual Dorset Public Dock Kids Derby kicks off Family Fishing Week on Saturday, July 3. The event is open to children 12 and under accompanied by an adult. The cost is \$2 per child and includes bait, a participation prize and the chance at one of many great prizes available including fishing rods, ball caps and t-shirts. Registration takes place from 9 to 9:30 a.m., fishing from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and the prize ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. For more information please contact the Dorset Recreation Centre at 766-9968.

Dorset fireworks (hosted by the Dorset Volunteer Fire Department and local businesses) will be on Saturday, July 3 beginning at dusk (rain date is Sunday, July 4) in Big Trading Bay. A boat will be passed for donations which go towards next year's fireworks.

Kids Crafts are taking place at the Dorset Rec Centre from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. every Thursday in July starting on the 8th with Kite Making. All materials are supplied. The cost is \$5 / per child 5 and up.

The 3rd Annual Dorset Wooden Boat Parade takes place on July 10 from 1 to 4 p.m. This afternoon event on the Dorset Pier is fun for the whole family. Games and face painting, hot dogs and pop, plus live entertainment make this an event you won't want to miss. It's free for everyone. The highlight of the day is the Wooden Boat Parade featuring a float-by display of historical and antique wooden boats from the Lake of Bays area, emceed by Kevin Newman, of Global news.

Birthday wishes for June 27 to July 3 go out to June Johnson, Andy Cyopick, Pat Sinclair, Willy Bradbury, Sabrina Baum, Sandra Northover, Harvey Warkentin, Carolyn Warkentin, Happy Anniversary to Marlene and Chris Clarke and Happy Belated Birthday to Don Moore on June 12th. Have a great day.

If you have items of interest or birthday and anniversary wishes for the Dorset News, give Melissa a call at 766-0076 or email melalfano@hotmail.com

Hyland Crest needs palliative care volunteers

We all need some comfort and support at some time during our lives. That's especially true as we get older.

At the Hyland Crest Long Term Care facility in Minden, there is a need for volunteers to assist the palliative care team. Many residents of the home don't have family members who live in the area and those residents would be very appreciative of some companionship.

Dr. Maurice Smith points out that volunteers do not provide any type of nursing care. Their role is to be friends to the residents and to share and enjoy the companionship.

He says volunteers may just talk with a resident, read a book to him or her, enjoy music together, play games or just sit quietly in the room. Just being there is often enough to be comforting to a resident.

Training and refresher courses are available throughout the year as needed. The time commitment is not exces-

sive and is arranged to suit the caregiver/volunteer.

The palliative care unit was set up in 1995 and has been working well to ease the last days of those who are dying. It also gives support to families who need a respite.

While the volunteers find their service rewarding, as always happens over time, the number of volunteers dwindles and the unit is anxious to recruit some new members.

No nursing experience is necessary. A compassionate, caring attitude is all that is required.

It has been said: "Nobody comes into his world alone; nobody should leave this world alone and in the dark."

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Stewardship council announces workshop on forest management with focus on determining which trees to harvest

The Haliburton Highlands Stewardship Council, in partnership with the Leslie M. Frost Centre, the Parry Sound Muskoka Stewardship Network and the Ministry of Natural Resources has announced the first workshop in the 2004 Stewardship Series.

Titled "Promoting a Healthy forest Through Tree Marking", this workshop is for woodlot owners who want to learn more about managing their forests for multiple benefits, including improving forest health and wildlife habitat. This informative workshop will be held on Friday, July 9 at the Leslie M. Frost Centre from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m..

This workshop will feature four morning presentations by leading experts on topics that include Ontario's forest management systems, developing a marking plan & inventory, identifying common tree defects and maintaining wildlife in managed forests. After lunch, participants will take an afternoon field trip with the morning speakers to identify and assess tree defects and participate in a tree marking exercise. Handouts will include the recently released Extension Note on Tree Marking and a Tree Defect Guide.

This is an excellent opportunity for local woodlot owners to share and learn about some of the latest forest management techniques that are available to assist with making decisions on which trees to take and leave when managing their woodlot.

There is limited enrolment for this popular workshop, so early registration is encouraged. The cost per participant is \$15. To register, contact the Frost Centre at (705) 766-2451. Information is also available by calling

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Once again busy weekends of events promise to welcome visitors to our area and give them a glimpse of the vitality in our communities. The Kinmount Railway Station Gallery will open its 2004 series of Summer Weekender Art Shows with an exhibition by two painters - Mary Lou Rober of Crego Lake and June Anderson of Minden. Watch the creative process in action on Saturday and Sunday, July 3 - 4 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. While there be sure to visit the model railway display depicting the line from Kinmount to Haliburton.

Strawberry lovers will find plenty at the Strawberry Supper, Galway Hall, Galway Road on Saturday, July 3rd from 4:30- 7 p.m. The following Saturday, July 10 the Ladies Auxiliary, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 441, Kinmount will host its Strawberry Supper, 4:30-7 p.m.

Relax along your lawn chair on July 8 and enjoy the first "Music in the Park" program taking place every Thursday in July and August from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Austin Sawmill Heritage Park, Kinmount. Tim the "One Man Band" will be featured on the 8th and the keyboard renditions of Zoe Chilco on July 15th.

Tickets are available for the Kinmount area "Garden Tour" on Saturday, July 17 by calling 488-2801. Later that day "Moonlight Mania", sponsored by the Kinmount & Area Business Association, will sweep through the downtown from 5 - 10 p.m. with activities galore for the whole family. Watch next week's column for full program details.

Join Dr. Elena Mihi and the Kinmount District Health Services Foundation in welcoming Dr. Zsuzsanna Kaszas to the Health Centre at an Open House on Sunday, July 25 from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. While there tour the recently renovated Centre and see the newly installed medical equipment and high-tech computer system. Congratulations to all involved in this achievement.

The Kinmount Legion is holding a Bake Sale, Yard Sale and Barbeque on Saturday, July 24 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. A limited number of vendors' tables are available for rent at \$10 each and can be booked through Eileen Sienko at 488-2026.

Now for the Scoring News with your usual reminder to keep busy and well.

Tuesday, June 22 bid euchre at the Minden Legion: In top spot was Marcel Roussel with Pat Scadden second and Elva Paisley third. The hidden score holders were Ruth Kellett, Kevin Maloney and Bill Van Dyke while Isobel Cherwenka took the only moonshot of the day.

Tuesday, June 22 contract bridge at Stanhope: There were three Slams over the afternoon going to Vange Croucher and Pearl Foster, Lenore Gillespie and Ross Fletcher and Dorothy Strype partnered with Ross Davies. Leading the high scores was Vange Croucher 6720 followed by Ross Fletcher 6190, Diana Spicer 5980 and Frank Schlotter 5740. Draw winner Stella McMillan congratulated Brock Cromwell on his Shiny Penny Award and both overheard Vange Croucher state "I Refuse To Move" when called up to receive her I.R.T.M. Award.

Wednesday, June 23 duplicate bridge at Parklane: First



Walking for sight

The Kinmount and District Lions Club sponsored the annual Lions Journey to Conquer Blindness and Support Dogguides Program in Kinmount recently. In spite of inclement weather, the event drew a good turnout, raising an estimated \$1,500.

in North/South at 64% were Muriel McIntyre and Ross Fletcher with a tie for second at 54% between Stella McMillan teamed with Ross Davies and the duo of Judy Neimann and Carol McCord. In East/West the winners were Chuck Wilson and Harold Cox at 62% then Jacqueline and Kelly Metcalf at 52%.

Wednesday, June 23 Kinmount Seniors euchre: For the ladies Mary Wilkins had the high score and Sally Taylor the low while Adam Freeman led the gents and Ted Wilkins recorded the low. Roger Fournier held the most lone hands and Rose Isaacson won the special draw. Mildred St. Thomas reminds that new players are always welcome to come out at 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday upstairs at the Legion [non-smoking].

Wednesday, June 23 bid euchre at Stanhope: Five single moonshots went to Jack Cox, Lottie Ruttan, Tom Pearson, Marcel Roussel and Eleanor Smith with Rob Evans taking two. Sally Rose led the pinks at 283 followed by Marj Richardson 251 and Kristen Pennick 246 while Rob Evans filled the top slot for the white cards at 286 with Bev Swick 264 second and Garth Windsor 244 third.

Thursday, June 24 euchre at the Minden Legion: In the lone hands column it was Verna McDonald and Tom Orr with Gala Stamp and Helen Cox recording the high scores and Edith Burch along with Don Hicks taking the lows. The other prizes were won by Helen Skelding, Maria Tschida, Marie Dennie, Arla Pollard and Verna McDonald.

Friday, June 25 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills: Judy Neimann and Harold Cox were first in North/South at 57% with Vincent and Al Marie Fahy a close second at 56%. For East/West the honours went to Margo Davidson and Jean Collins at 57% and Stella McMillan partnered with Vange Croucher 54%.

Friday, June 25 bid euchre at Club 35: Jack Cox took the only moonshot with Jean Dutka uncovering the hidden score. First for the pinks at 273 was Peggy Awde with Sharon Evans next at 264 and Marion Farr 258 third. Alvin Cowen was high for the white cards at 271 with Peter Farr

265 second and Jack Cox 238 third.

Friday, June 25 euchre at Staunworth Court: Doreen Francis reports that Elaine Yeo won for high hands, Nick Boekestyn for low hands and Pat Bailey took both the prize for lone hands and the draw.

Saturday, June 26 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace: Leading the high scoring trio was Marcel Roussel 294 followed by Pearl Cowen 266 and Iris Taylor 263. Kevin Maloney and Isobel Cherwenka had the moonshots while Pat Scadden, Ellie Langpohl and Thelma Francis won the draws.

Monday, June 28 euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Iris Taylor won for lone hands, Helen Skelding for low hands and Bill Van Dyke for both high hands and the special draw. Pearl Cowen and our reporter Elaine Yeo were the proud owners of the only happy faces of the evening. Good friend and fellow card player Elda Henderson will be sadly missed around the table at the Terrace and her many contributions to the group gratefully acknowledged.

Monday, June 28 euchre at St. Paul's Anglican Church: Lone hand honours went to Lorna Hicks for the ladies and Katie Parker representing the gents. Pat Millard and Don Hicks recorded the afternoon's highs with Tim Sharpe taking the low. Betty and Tim Sharpe were both paid a visit by the skunk but Betty cheered up on winning the draw along with Pearl Cowen. Katie Parker extended a warm welcome to all members of the Club in particular Father Tim and Betty Sharpe on their return. She explained that a new group would be taking over her duties as of July 1st and thanked everyone for their help in making the Friendship Club truly that. Personally I will miss her Monday phone call.

Monday, June 28 cribbage at the Minden Legion Branch 636: Our new reporter Jean Scadden topped the charts with Frank Campagnolo second and Verna McDonald third. The draws went to Gwen Cox, Vicki Campagnolo, Don Hicks and Pat Scadden.

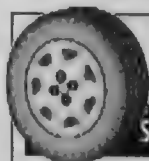
Monday, June 28 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre: In first was Roger Fournier with Ida Young recording the second high score and Phyllis Windsor winning the draw. Single moonshots went to Thelma Francis, Libby St. Amand, and Bill St. Thomas while Ida Young and Marjorie Paradis each took two.



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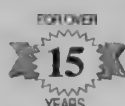
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Summer brings busy times to Stanhope



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Busy times are here and Stanhope must be busy to keep up with it all. Summer is one of the busiest times for people in cottage country, and it's hard to believe that our population at least doubles during the summer rush. Just remember to take a breather and enjoy what our visitors enjoy. Take a moment out of your busy summer to do something relaxing for yourself. Whether it be gardening or relaxing by the lakeside, take a moment to enjoy the beauty that our community offers us.

Big or small, bring the kids to story time. Story time takes place in the Stanhope Library, downstairs on Thursday mornings at 10:30. Story time runs from July 8 until September 2. Children will enjoy family favourites from enthusiastic storytellers. Don't miss out on the next great adventure.

The Haliburton Highlands Writers and Editors Network is honoured to present one of Canada's foremost horror, crime and fantasy writers, Edo van Belkom, at the organization's first annual general meeting, at 11:00 a.m., on Saturday, July 17, at Bonnie View Inn on South Kashagawigamog Road. Winner of the Bram Stoker Award in 1997 and the Aurora Award for Short Fiction in 1998, van Belkom has been nominated three times for the Crime Writers of Canada's prestigious Arthur Ellis Award for Best Short Story. A writing teacher and toastmaster, the former newspaper and police reporter has several books and more than 200 short stories in print. The business portion of the meeting will be kept to a

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If you haven't already picked up your copy of the *Echo* and *Times*' free 2004 *Haliburton County Summer Guide*, then you must get one. The *Summer Guide* outlines everything there is to do in Haliburton county this summer. All Stanhope and Township of Algonquin Highlands programs are listed in the monthly July and August programs as well as the Kids stuff section. Important: Family Movie Night Will Still be Held at Club 35 in Halls Lake. The summer guide shows that it has been changed to the Stanhope Firefighters Hall. The only program that has changed location is our Kids Fun Day, every Wednesday. Last year the Kids Drop in Day was held at Club 35. Since there are a lot more resources, we have developed a kids fun day which is the same as kids drop-in day, now held at the Stanhope Firefighters' hall.

During an Algonquin Highlands Waste Management Committee meeting last week, it was noted that many of our seasonal residents come from areas where their recycling rules are more restrictive than ours. We have a two-stream system that is very inclusive. If you don't have the Algonquin Highlands recycling handout, available at all sites, be sure to ask for one from your attendant so you can be certain of what you are able to recycle. These will be available at the EH! Fair on July 3rd where you will also be able to purchase Blue Boxes.

The Committee was informed of a landfill closure in a rural community just north of us that had an actual cost of \$494,000 plus ongoing monitoring expenses. Imagine what this would do to our tax bills if it happened here.

The Stanhope Recreation Committee wants to bring a skateboard park to Stanhope. There will be a public meeting for the public and participants of the skate park. A date has not yet been chosen. Suggestions for meeting dates and feedback are greatly appreciated by e-mailing stanhope_rec@hotmail.com. If you do not have Internet access please call 705-766-9968 and let us know what day is

good for you. Meeting dates will be posted at the current skateboard area and in this column. It is important that we get together A.S.A.P. to discuss ideas, prices and possible fundraising ideas to make this happen. We need as much community support and fundraising help as possible.

If you have anything you would like to submit for this column, e-mail me at alisha_stevens20@hotmail.com

Wedding bells ring for Allison Taylor



Martha Perkins/TIMES

Former reporter marries

In a beautiful outdoor ceremony overlooking the rolling vineyards of Vineland Estates, former *Minden Times* reporter Allison Taylor was married to her one special love, David Hill, on June 26. The couple resides in Mississauga where he is an IT specialist and she writes for *IT World Canada*. Their friends back in the Highlands send them warmest best wishes for a long and happy marriage.



Township of Algonquin Highlands
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TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Sect. 268 (1)(2)(3) and (4) of the Municipal Act 2001, as amended, and also By-Law 95-18 for the Township of Stanhope, the Council of the Township of Algonquin Highlands has declared certain municipally owned land on Part Lot 15 Concession 3, geographic Township of Stanhope, more particularly described as Part 1 Plan 19R-4794 (Beech River) to be surplus to the needs of municipal requirements.

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THE FAMILY OF THE LATE ALICE SEDGWICK wishes to express heartfelt thanks to friends and relatives for their charitable donations, floral tributes, cards and kind acts of thoughtfulness during the loss of our beloved mother and caring grandmother. A special Thank You to Dr. Roos, and the staff of Hyland Crest, sincere appreciation to Marion Sedgwick for her support and comforting words. To the Minden UCU for the wonderful lunch and the Gordon Monk Funeral Home. The kindness shown will be remembered always. **The Family of Alice Sedgwick.**

TO ALL THE family, friends and neighbours who expressed their sympathy by way of cards, visits and phone calls, and to all those who attended the funeral of Leslie Coulter on June 23rd, our sincerest thank you. Leslie would have been proud to know that he had touched so many in his life. **The Coulter Family.**

460 OBITUARIES

ELDA HENDERSON
Passed away at the Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay on Thursday, June 24, 2004.

At the age of 61.
Beloved daughter of Loyas and the late Morris Henderson. Loving mother of Tracey and her husband Duane Pratt of Minden and Gramma Boo Boo of Coral and Skylar. Dear sister of Glenn and Bonnie of Orangeville, June and Garry Holland of Minden. Loving aunt of Laurie Orford, Tammy Warburton and Lisa Stephenson. Sadly missed by her "son" Darryl Crowe and his wife Gail. Friends were invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main St., Minden on Sunday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Funeral service was held in our chapel on Monday, June 28, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. Interment at the Minden Cemetery. Memorial Donations to the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation (by cheque only) would be appreciated by the family.

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SEEDHOUSE, KAREN MARI-ON - At home, Beeton, Ontario on Tuesday June 29, 2004 following a courageous battle with cancer, in her 63rd year. Karen Seedhouse, beloved wife of William (Bill) Seedhouse. Loving mother of Christopher and his wife Dianne of Newmarket and Kimberly June and her husband Perry Wall of North Bay. Cherished Gram of Mitchell, Bradley, Jacob and Jordyn. Dear daughter of Clifford Lewis and his wife Catherine of Orillia and the late Marion Lewis and sister of Phil Lewis and his wife Joan of Orillia, Cindy and her husband Bruce Fairbairn of Burlington and Kimberly and her husband Chris Orr of Carleton Place. Daughter-in-law of June Seedhouse and sister-in-law of Joanne Thomson. Karen will be lovingly remembered by nieces, nephews and all who knew her. Following cremation, the family will receive friends at the Roadhouse & Rose Funeral Home, 157 Main St. S., Newmarket on Friday and Saturday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. A private family memorial service will be held at a later date. Entombment of cremated remains St. Andrew's St. James' Cemetery, Orillia. If desired, Memorial Donations to the Southlake Regional Health Centre Foundation, Newmarket or the charity of your choice would be gratefully appreciated. Messages of condolence are welcome at www.starclassifieds.com.



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- Join us for story time and crafts at the Dysart Branch of the Haliburton County Public Library on Wednesdays at 4:00 pm 457-2241 or 457-1791.
- Every Wednesday: Gooderham Branch, Haliburton County Public Library. Story circle at 11:30 am on Pine Street, in downtown Gooderham. 457-2241 or 447-3163.
- Storytime & crafts at the Wilberforce Branch of the Haliburton County Public Library on Tuesday evenings from 6:45-7:30pm. Pajamas welcome! 457-2241 or 448-2510.
- The Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre invites you to come & enjoy Creative Women's Circle, a Centre Program that takes place Thursdays from 1-3 p.m. Call 705-748-5901.
- Quilters Etc Club meeting at Dorset Rec Centre on Fridays from 9-12pm. This is a "drop-in" for knitters, quilters & needle workers. Call Shirley-Anne (705) 766-2738 or Mildred 766-0335.
- Every Monday Home Support offers Contract Bridge beginning at 1 p.m. to seniors 55+ or physically disabled adults. Every Thursday join us for Bid Euchre beginning at 1 p.m. Every Friday join us for Cribbage beginning at 1p.m. Please call Ida for more info 457-2941.
- Dorset TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Chapter meets at the Dorset Rec Centre every Monday at 8:30am for a weigh-in and meeting. All are welcome to join.
- ONTARIO BREAST SCREENING PROGRAM: For women 50+ years, screening by appointment only on Thurs and Fri at Ross Memorial Hospital. No doctor referral needed. 328-6175.
- Monarch Bible Camp offers fun, challenging programs for children ages 6-15. Registration now being accepted for camps in Minden, Haliburton, West Guilford, Eagle Lake and Carnarvon. Call 705-887-3625 on line cdnsm@bellnet.ca.
- Every Wednesday: Gooderham Branch, Haliburton County Public Library. Story circle at 11:30 a.m. on Pine Street, in downtown Gooderham. 457-2241 or 447-3163.
- Every Thursday Evening: Open Meditation Sessions 7:30-8:30 p.m. Drop in and join us every Thursday evening for an hour of relaxing, refreshing and revitalizing meditation. At the Dharma Centre of Canada, 1886 Galway Road, Kinmount (5 km south of Kinmount, 10 km off Highway #121) Phone: (705) 488-2704 or email: adminoffice@dharmacentre.org. Website: www.dharmacentre.org
- July 3: Dorset Fireworks (rain date: July 4) Dusk: 9:30-10pm Big Trading Bay. Sponsored by the Dorset Volunteer Fire Dept. & Businesses in the Dorset area.
- July 4: Paddle Minesing Swamp with the Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists. Meet at 9:00 a.m. on County Rd 28 at Willow Creek. Participants responsible for own equipment. Bring lunch, field guides, etc. Contact Ray 754-9479 or Sheila 754-2532
- July 4: BINGO at Minden Community Centre. \$800 Jackpot* on special card. Reg. games @ \$100. No smoking hall. Doors open at 6pm. Games at 7pm. Sponsored by Minden Rotary Club.
- July 4: The Lake Kawartha Organization will be holding its Annual General meeting at 1pm. at the Delta Pinestone Resort. Displays and registration starts at 12 noon. Speakers to include Ministry of the Environment personnel on Haliburton Lakes water quality, Township of Minden Hills stagg on Recycling and Water Management and Municipal Property Assessment Corporation staff on Assessments on waterfront property. Plan to attend.
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- July 5: Minden Hills Museum 286-3154 - Candlewicking Workshop 10 am - noon. Victorian needlework instruction. Materials supplied.
- July 8-Sept. 2: Story time at your library on Thursday mornings at 10:30 a.m. at the Stanhope Branch of the Haliburton County Public Library. 457-2241 or 489-2402.
- July 10: A new writer's circle is being formed at Club 35 starting at 9:30 a.m. It will run the second Saturday of every month. The circle is open to anyone interested in sharing their work with other writers for editing and feedback and those seeking resources on the business of writing. All are invited, be they experienced writers, emerging writers, or those considering writing memoirs. People from all regions are welcome. Call (705) 489-3878 for more information.
- July 10: Norland United Church Summer Salad Supper starting at 4pm. All are welcome! Free parking at back of church. ALSO: Norland United Church will be opening for the summer months starting June 19 to September 11, 2004. Call for times.
- July 11-12: Making the Village Whole with Steve Jenkinson. At the Dharma Centre of Canada, 1886 Galway Road, Kinmount (5 km south of Kinmount, 10 km off Highway #121) Phone: (705) 488-2704 or email: adminoffice@dharmacentre.org. Website: www.dharmacentre.org
- July 14th: Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild meets at 1p.m. at Stanhope Community Centre. Followed by a Sewing room and Garden Tour. Potluck dinner at President's house. Guests and new members welcome.
- July 14: Buffet Salad Supper at Minden United Church starting at 5 p.m.
- July 15: Home Support Bus Trip to Port Hope to see "The Importance of Being Ernest". Please call 457-2941 for more info.
- July 16, 17 & 18: Country Good Times - Wilberforce. Lots of activities, flea market all weekend, junior and senior amateur talent contest, beer gardens, midway, parade, church service and great food all weekend long. New this year... Youth Dance Friday Night ages 8-16 - no in/out, no knapsacks - Snackbar.
- CIWA Wrestling followed by Karaoke Saturday Night. Three of these wrestlers have appeared on WWF TV. All ages welcome, \$10 adults \$8 under 12. Licensed event - doors open at 7:00 Wrestling 7:30 - 9:30. Karaoke & Dancing to follow. Kids' Day Sunday - 10-12 Free ice skating, 12-30 magic show - The Magically Hip with Maxwell & Ta-Dah, 2-4 Kids 16 & under talent contest with Karaoke back-up.
- July 17: The Haliburton Highlands Writers & Editors, Network presents Edo van Belkom at our 11:00 a.m. breakfast/brunch at the Bonnie View Inn on South Kashagawigamog Road. \$13 for members and \$16 for non-members. Everyone is welcome to call Marjorie Green at 286-2592 for reservations by July 14.
- Children's Craft Program so popular we offer two afternoons each week 1:30 pm. Registration necessary. Pick up your schedule today. Minden Hills Museum 176 Bobcaygeon Rd. Call 286-3154
- July 19: Minden Hills Museum 286-3154 - Redwork Workshop 10 am - noon. Pioneer embroidery instruction. Materials supplied. Registration necessary.
- July 20: Haliburton Highlands Prostate Cancer Support Group monthly meeting. Held the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7pm in the Fireside Lounge Highland Crest Senior Citizen's Home in Minden. For info call Rick Ratcliff 286-6699.

Events listings are provided FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavor to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.ca, or brought in to the office. NOTE: This calendar is NOT A COMPREHENSIVE LISTING OF ALL EVENTS taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in The Times for more information on events and in the Highlands.

The Haliburton School of The Arts Faculty Show

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